

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A low-profile magnetic core capable of reducing the thickness of an inductor component is provided. The magnetic core includes at least one gap in a magnetic path, and a permanent magnet is inserted in the gap. The magnetic core has an alternating current magnetic permeability at 20 kHz of 45 or more in a magnetic field of 120 Oe under application of direct current, and has a core loss characteristic of 100 kW/m^3 or less under the conditions of 20 kHz and the maximum magnetic flux density of 0.1 T. An inductor component is produced by applying at least one turn of coil to the aforementioned magnetic core.